

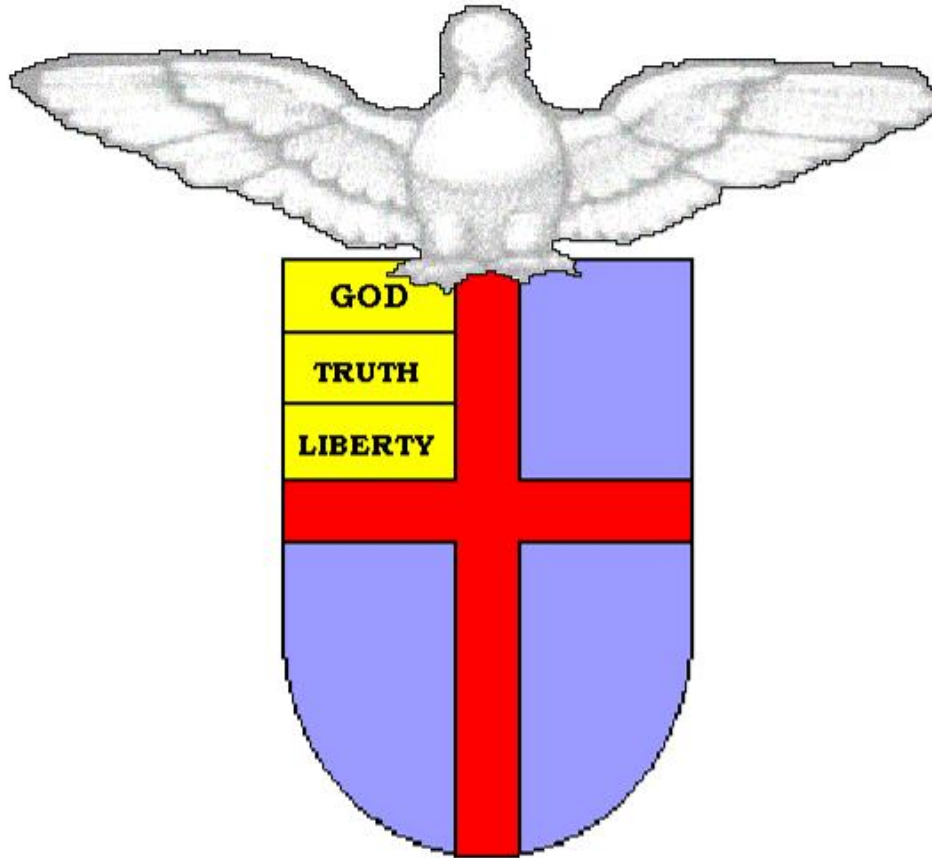
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Definition

Collectivism: a political or economic theory advocating collective control [e.g. OWNERSHIP] esp. over production and distribution or a system marked by such control.

[Webster's Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary, 1983, ISBN 0-87779-510-X, p. 259]

Main Elements of All Governmental Systems

- **Chief characteristics of all governmental systems can be summarized with four main elements:**
 - 1. Origin of human rights: State or Creator?**
 - 2. Legal relationship of humans to the state: Equal or inferior?**
 - 3. Ownership of property: PUBLIC ownership v. PRIVATE ownership**
 - 4. Proper role of law in the state: Punish Past Harm v. Promoting Future Good?**

Origin of Rights

- **Governmental systems can have three possible sources for “rights” within their legal systems:**
 1. Private human source. For example, contracts or franchises. Protected by the common law and the constitution.
 2. A religious source. God’s laws define societal morality. Theocracies in the middle east implement this approach.
 3. The state as an atheistic collective. Implemented using the civil law. Sometimes religious sources are the starting point for such systems.
- **A mixture of the above is possible in each governmental system.**
- **Humanism and “man worship” and idolatry results when option 3 above is the only one permitted.**
- **Within the legal field, the “creator” of a right or privilege in the text of a law is:**
 - The owner of the right or privilege and all who exercise it.
 - The only one who can take away that right or privilege.
- **Who your “lawgiver” is determines who your “god” is.**
- **Since every society is implemented with law, then every society has a “god”, including atheistic societies.**

God's approach to the origin of "rights"

- 1. Law is in every culture religious in origin.** Because law governs man and society, because it establishes and declares the meaning of justice and righteousness, law is inescapably religious, in that it establishes in practical fashion the ultimate concerns of a culture. Accordingly, a fundamental and necessary premise in any and every study of law must be, first, a recognition of this religious nature of law.
- 2. Second, it must be recognized that in any culture the source of law is the god of that society. If law has its source in man's reason, then reason is the god of that society. If the source is an oligarchy, or in a court, senate, or ruler, then that source is the god of that system. [. . .]**
Modern humanism, the religion of the state, locates law in the state and thus makes the state, or the people as they find expression in the state, the god of the system. As Mao Tse-Tung has said, "Our God is none other than the masses of the Chinese people."^[2] In Western culture, law has steadily moved away from God to the people (or the state) as its source, although the historic power and vitality of the West has been in Biblical faith and law.
- 3. Third, in any society, any change of law is an explicit or implicit change of religion.** Nothing more clearly reveals, in fact, the religious change in a society than a legal revolution. When the legal foundations shift from Biblical law to humanism, it means that the society now draws its vitality and power from humanism, not from Christian theism.
- 4. Fourth, no disestablishment of religion as such is possible in any society.** A church can be disestablished, and a particular religion can be supplanted by another, but the change is simply to another religion. Since the foundations of law are inescapably religious, no society exists without a religious foundation or without a law-system which codifies the morality of its religion.
- 5. Fifth, there can be no tolerance in a law-system for another religion.** Toleration is a device used to introduce a new law-system as a prelude to a new intolerance. Legal positivism, a humanistic faith, has been savage in its hostility to the Biblical law-system and has claimed to be an "open" system. But Cohen, by no means a Christian, has aptly described the logical positivists as "nihilists" and their faith as "nihilistic absolutism."^[3] Every law-system must maintain its existence by hostility to every other law-system and to alien religious foundations or else it commits suicide.

[The Institutes of Biblical Law, Rousas John Rushdoony, 1973, The Craig Press, Library of Congress Catalog Card Number 72-79485, pp. 4-5, Emphasis added]

Legal relationship of Humans to the State

- Only two types of relationships are possible between people and the state:
 1. Equal.
 2. Inferior and a “subject”.
- The [Declaration of Independence](#) says ALL men are created equal.
- We ALL start out equal.
- The government therefore can never become SUPERIOR to us without our express [consent](#).
- [Equality of rights under the law](#) is what MAKES you [equal](#) to the government.

Legal relationship of Humans to the State

- If the government is source of your rights then they can take them away and make you inferior to them under the law. That is why the Declaration of Independence says that your rights come from God rather than the State.
- Even in a government where rights come from God, governments can make you inferior to them by:
 - Enticing you with a bribe called “benefits”. Form #05.040.
 - Getting you to consent to accept the bribe and thereby consent to all the legal strings attached to the bribe. Form #05.003.
 - Thereby replacing PRIVATE rights under the Constitution with PUBLIC rights under a franchise contract or agreement. Form #05.030
- This conversion of PRIVATE RIGHTS to PUBLIC RIGHTS cannot occur without your express consent!
- You should NEVER consent to surrender your equality in relation to government.

Legal relationship of Humans to the State

- For details on why EQUALITY between you and the government is the origin of ALL of your freedom, see:
Foundations of Freedom, Video 1: Introduction, Form #12.021
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P3ggFibd5hk>
- For a detailed analysis on the legal requirement for equality, see:
Requirement for Equal Protection and Equal Treatment, Form #05.033
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

Proper role of law in the state

- There are only two different approaches to the use of law in defining the proper role of the state:
 1. Providing legal remedies for injuries AFTER they occur. Based on equality of all under the law.
 2. Preventing FUTURE harm and promoting some perceived PUBLIC “good”. Based on inferiority between the governed and the governors.
- These two approaches compete with and undermine each other because of their differing approaches toward equality between the governed and the governors.
- The second option above violates due process of law and is therefore unconstitutional.

Proper role of law in the state

- **Providing legal remedies for injuries AFTER they occur is:**
 - Based on equality of all parties under the law.
 - Usually implemented using EQUITY and the COMMON LAW.
- **Preventing FUTURE harm and promoting a perceived PUBLIC “good” is implemented using the CIVIL STATUTORY CODE.**
 - This code is also what is called “the social compact” in legal parlance.
 - This civil statutory “code” is what we call a “civil protection franchise”. See [Form #12.012](#) for details.
 - Only members who [expressly consent](#) to join a specific society and thereby acquire the statutory status of “citizen” or “resident” ([Form #10.011](#)) are or can be the subject of this “code” or “civil protection franchise”.

Maxims of Law

***“Protectio trahit subjectionem, subjectio projectionem.
Protection draws to it subjection, subjection, protection. Co.
Litt. 65.”***

[Bouvier’s Maxims of Law, 1856;

SOURCE: <http://famguardian.org/Publications/BouvierMaximsOfLaw/BouviersMaxims.htm>

Bastiat on the Proper Purpose of “law”

“What, then, is law? It is the collective [VOLUNTARY] organization of the individual right to lawful defense. Each of us has a natural right—from God—to defend his person, his liberty, and his property. These are the three basic requirements of life, and the preservation of any one of them is completely dependent upon the preservation of the other two. For what are our faculties [RIGHTS] but the extension of our individuality? And what is property but an extension of our faculties? If every person has the right to defend—even by force—his person, his liberty, and his property, then it follows that a group of men have the right to organize and support a common force to protect these rights constantly. Thus the principle of collective right—its reason for existing, its lawfulness—is based on individual right. And the common force that protects this collective right cannot logically have any other purpose or any other mission than that for which it acts as a substitute. Thus, since an individual cannot lawfully use force against the person, liberty, or property of another individual, then the common force—for the same reason—cannot lawfully be used to destroy the person, liberty, or property of individuals or groups.”

[The Law, page 2, by Frederic Bastiat (1801-1850)

SOURCE: <http://famguardian.org/Publications/TheLaw/TheLaw.htm>]

Why Civil Statutory Code is Voluntary

- For further information on why the civil statutory “code” is private law that you have to volunteer for, see:

Why Statutory Civil Law is Law for Government and Not Private Persons,
Form #05.037

<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

- If the government claims the civil statutory code ISN'T voluntary or that it is “law” that doesn't require your consent, then show them the following proving that what they are enforcing is NOT law, but a voluntary franchise:

What is “law”?, Form #05.048

<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

Ownership of property

- Only two approaches to property ownership are possible under any governmental system:
 - PRIVATE ownership. Humans own and control the use of the property and have a right to deny even the government the “benefits” of said ownership.
 - PUBLIC ownership. State owns or controls the use of the property.
- A mixture of the above is possible and sometimes desirable.
- The essence of “ownership” is the “right to exclude” any and all others from using or benefitting from the use of a thing.
- If you don’t have the right to exclude the GOVERNMENT from using, benefitting from, or taxing a thing, then:
 - You aren’t allowed to own the thing as PRIVATE property.
 - Your ownership is QUALIFIED rather than ABSOLUTE.
 - There has at some point been a transition of the property from ABSOLUTE to QUALIFIED by your EXPRESS CONSENT.
 - You should INSIST that the government satisfy the burden of proof to demonstrate with evidence that it is the LAWFUL owner of the property and how that ownership was lawfully acquired. A PRESUMPTION of ownership alone is a violation of due process.
- A state with no PRIVATE ownership is a collectivist state.

Collectivism as the basis for various political systems

Name	Origin of Rights	Legal Relationship Between State and People	Ownership of Property	Proper Role of the law
Republic	God	Equal	Mixture of PRIVATE and PUBLIC	Remediate harm after it occurs. Mixture of COMMON LAW and CIVIL STATUTES
Democracy	State	Unequal	PUBLIC	Promote good and prevent harm. CIVIL STATUTES ONLY.
Monarchy	State	Unequal	PUBLIC	Promote good and prevent harm. CIVIL STATUTES ONLY.
Fascism	State	Unequal	PUBLIC	Promote good and prevent harm. CIVIL STATUTES ONLY.
Socialism	State	Unequal	PUBLIC	Promote good and prevent harm. CIVIL STATUTES ONLY.
Communism	State	Unequal	PUBLIC	Promote good and prevent harm. CIVIL STATUTES ONLY.

How to Introduce Collectivism Into a Society

- 1. Write the constitution so that the state is the origin of and creator of all rights and rights are actually revocable privileges.**
- 2. Make every government service into a [franchise](#). See [Form #05.030](#).**
- 3. Make the government into the owner or at least [PRESUMED \(Form #05.017\)](#) controller of all property. Thus, there is no PRIVATE property. This is done through “registration” and “licensing”. [Social Security Numbers](#) represent the institutionalized mechanism to donate PRIVATE property to a PUBLIC USE.**
- 4. Make all courts into [FRANCHISE](#) courts in the EXECUTIVE Branch, rather than CONSTITUTIONAL courts in the JUDICIAL branch. See [Form #06.012](#).**
- 5. Use financial institutions to compel everyone to be a [PUBLIC officer](#) by compelling use of government identifying numbers such as SSNs and TINs.**

How to Introduce Collectivism In Society

- 6. Confuse the nature of rights by calling both PUBLIC rights and PRIVATE rights simply “rights”. This allows PRIVATE rights to be converted to PUBLIC rights without changing their name.**
- 7. Abuse “words of art” to make PUBLIC and PRIVATE property indistinguishable.**
 - Use multiple definitions for geographical terms and refuse to identify which context is implied in each use.
 - Illegally make statutory “citizens” into PUBLIC OFFICES and franchises in the government and make PRIVATE humans indistinguishable from said offices.
 - Make PRIVATE workers LOOK like statutory “employees”.
 - Make PRIVATE earnings LOOK like earnings from a PUBLIC office.
 - Make CONSTITUTIONAL states LOOK like federal PUBLIC corporations or STATUTORY “States”.
- 8. Abuse government publications as propaganda that encourages the civil statutory law to be MISAPPLIED against PRIVATE humans. See Form #05.037.**

How to Introduce Collectivism In Society

- 9.** Illegally incentivize judges to abuse “choice of law” rules to in effect KIDNAP NONRESIDENT PRIVATE humans and make their effective domicile the DISTRICT OF CRIMINALS, often without their knowledge or express consent. See 28 U.S.C. §144, 455 and 18 U.S.C. §208. See Form #05.020.
- 10.** Prevent the study of law in the public schools, so that the average citizen is UNABLE to defend their PRIVATE rights, PRIVATE status, and PRIVATE property. Do not allow jurists to read the law while serving.
- 11.** Avoid and silence and punish any and all attempts to expose the principles in this document. Abuse the tax system as the means of political control of such activities. Illegal substitute return tax assessments are the method of penalty.

How to Introduce Collectivism In Society

- 12.** Interfere with attempts to invoke the common law or equity in court for cases against the government. This forces people to become STATUTORY privileged “citizens” and public officers to get ANY remedy at all for injuries inflicted by government abuses and usurpations.
- 13.** Refuse to allow litigants to invoke the Constitution as a remedy for usurpations. Force them to use the civil law instead to force them into a privileged status.
- 14.** Grant to the U.S. Supreme Court the right to NOT hear cases. Thus, cases involving violations of constitutional rights can be “censored” from the court record. This was done with the Certiorari Act of 1925. See Form #11.302, Section 6.4.1.
- 15.** Use government propaganda to get private parties to file false reports that create the appearance that PRIVATE property is PUBLIC property. This allows government to blame others for their THEFT. See Form #04.001.

Collectivism in the Bible

- **Collectivist governmental systems in the Bible:**
 - Babylon under Nimrod. See [Gen. 10:8-9](#), [1 Chron. 1:10](#).
 - Joseph serving under Pharaoh. See [Gen. 47](#).
 - Nehemiah. See the [Bible Book of Nehemiah](#).
 - Caesar while ruling Rome. See Bible Books of [Matthew](#), [Mark](#), [Luke](#)
 - King David. See Bible [Books of Kings](#) and [Judges](#).

Collectivism is a state sponsored religion

- Collectivism can only exist by enforcing an **UNEQUAL** relationship between the GOVERNED and the GOVERNORS.
- When the people are inferior to the “state” under the law, then:
 - The law implements a **civil religion**.
 - The religion is based on the state having “superior” or “supernatural” powers in relation to those governed.
 - “Taxes” become tithes to the state church.
 - “Worship” becomes “obedience” to the dictates of the superior or supernatural being.
 - “Citizens” become “worshippers” of the collective or human rulers representing the collective. They are “public officers” and agents of the collective.
- The **First Amendment** to the **USA Constitution** FORBIDS state establishment of religion. Therefore, it forbids the franchises that implement the religion anyplace but federal territory not protected by said constitution.

Implementing collectivism with law: Franchises

- All collectivist systems are implemented in law by using or abusing franchises.
- Examples of franchises:
 - Public offices. See Form #05.008.
 - Corporations. See Form #05.024.
 - Public utilities.
 - Professional licensing.
 - Driver licensing. See Form #06.010.
 - Marriage licensing. See Form #06.009.
 - Government “benefits”. See Form #05.040.
- Those who participate in franchises:
 - Are serving the state as statutory “employees” and/or public officers. They are INFERIOR to the state.
 - Have to DONATE their PRIVATE property to PUBLIC property to procure the “benefits” of the franchise. Hence, they may not own PRIVATE property if they participate.
 - Surrender ALL of their constitutional and natural rights in exchange for statutory privileges.

Implementing collectivism with law: Franchises

- **Franchises** are implemented using “offices” within the government. Those who volunteer for such offices are violating the **First Commandment (Exodus 20:4)** and serving other Gods if the **government is unequal in relation to the people**.
- Examples of “offices” include the following civil statutory statuses:
 - “Person” under the civil code.
 - “Taxpayer” under the tax code.
 - “Driver” under the vehicle code.
 - “Spouse” under the family code.
- For more of how the above offices are used to enslave you and how you aren’t allowed to volunteer for them unless you are physically present on federal territory or abroad, see:
 - Civil Status (important)
<https://sedm.org/civil-status/>
 - *Your Exclusive Right to Declare or Establish Your Civil Status*, Form #13.008
<https://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

Implementing collectivism with law: Franchises

- God forbids Christians to engage in franchises with any government. [Exodus 23:32-33](#), [Judges 2:1-4](#), [Rev. 18:3-8](#).
- It is **EXTREMELY IMPORTANT** to understand every aspect of how [franchises](#) are implemented so that you can avoid them and thus avoid violating [God's laws](#).
- Further details on franchises:
 - *Government Franchises Course*, Form #12.012. Introduction to the main tool for implementing collectivism.
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
 - *Government Instituted Slavery Using Franchises*, Form #05.030. . Detailed analysis of the main tool for implementing collectivism.
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

How collectivists promote and protect their SCAM

- **Every collectivist system relies on the following elements to protect itself:**
 - 1. Propaganda.** Used to misrepresent what the law says or allows.
 - 2. Censorship.** Usually implemented by threatening to destroy livelihood if people speak out.
 - 3. Bribes and conflict of interest,** mainly of judges and politicians.
 - 4. Abuses of sovereign immunity to protect PRIVATE business activity by de facto government (Form #05.043).**
 - 5. Identity theft that connects you to a PUBLIC status and public office. Form #05.046.**
 - 6. A refusal in statutes to acknowledge PRIVATE or CONSTITUTIONAL status to which NO obligations can or do attach.**

How collectivists promote and protect their SCAM

- **The above 6 elements:**
 - **Prevent the need for GOVERNMENT violence to ensure “voluntary compliance”.**
 - **Make the FRAUD “economically efficient”.**

How collectivists promote and protect their SCAM: 1. Propaganda

- **Propaganda includes**
 - **Public/government schools that deny students a legal education, thus making ALL their rights and property subject to the corrupted whims of a licensed legal profession.**
 - **Government phone help that is untrustworthy and not accountable for accuracy or truthfulness.**
 - **Government publications that are untrustworthy and which reflect “policy” rather than what the law actually says.**
 - **See:**
 - » ***Reasonable Belief About Tax Liability*, Form #05.007
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>**
 - » ***Federal Courts and the IRS' Own IRM Say the IRS is NOT RESPONSIBLE for Its Actions or Its Words or For Following Its Own Written Procedures!*- Family Guardian Fellowship
<http://famguardian.org/Subjects/Taxes/Articles/IRSNotResponsible.htm>**

How collectivists promote and protect their SCAM: 2. Censorship

- **Censorship includes:**
 - **Control over the press through licensing and “selective enforcement” of the tax system against dissidents. Reporters are targeted by DOJ who speak out about government corruption.**
 - **Control over the churches through licensing or I.R.C. 501(c)(3) status and “selective enforcement” of the tax system against dissidents. Churches and nonprofits are targeted if they speak out against injustice or advance reforms.**
 - **Professional licensing which can be used to deny the livelihood of professionals who correctly describe what the law allows. This includes terminating CPA or attorney licensing of dissidents who correctly describe and enforce the tax laws. See:**

Petition for Admission to Practice

<http://famguardian.org/Subjects/LawAndGovt/LegalEthics/PetForAdmToPractice-USDC.pdf>
 - **IRS targets judges who rule according to what the tax law allows.**

How collectivists promote and protect their SCAM: 3. Bribes and Conflict of Interest

- IRS pays judges BONUSES for convicting tax defendants.
- IRS pays U.S. attorneys BONUSES for convicting tax defendants.
- U.S. attorneys have a financial interest in the outcome and therefore cannot try a case or conduct discovery without a conflict of interest.
- Jurors and judges are illegally bribed with government “benefits” to convict those who don’t want to subsidize the cost of those “benefits”. Form #05.040.
- U.S. attorneys routinely and CRIMINALLY CREATE and perpetuate further conflict of interest (18 U.S.C. §208) by telling judges and jurors that their benefits will go down or the cost of their “benefits” will go up if they do not convict those who refuse to participate in [government franchises \(Form #05.030\)](#).

How collectivists promote and protect their SCAM: 4. Abuses of sovereign immunity

- **Abuses of sovereign immunity allow entire cases and specific charges to be dismissed from litigation for cases involving violations of tax laws.**
- **Judges illegally invoke sovereign immunity to protect government wrongdoers. They do this BECAUSE of the financial bribes they receive.**
- **Nonresident PRIVATE parties not subject to the civil statutory “codes” and who are protected ONLY by the constitution may not have their CONSTITUTIONAL issues dismissed because of sovereign immunity.**

How collectivists promote and protect their SCAM: 5. Identity Theft

- **Governments cannot regulate or tax you until they can deceive you into procuring a public franchise status**
- **Examples of franchise statuses include:**
 - “citizen” or “resident” (under any civil enactment)
 - “taxpayer” (under the tax code)
 - “individual” or “person” (under any civil enactment)
 - “spouse” (under the family code)
- **Legal deception is usually used to get you to unknowingly volunteer. The deception always deals with:**
 - Geographical terms.
 - Citizenship statuses.
 - Franchise statuses.
- **The deception is documented in:**

Legal Deception, Propaganda, and Fraud, Form #05.014
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
- **For exhaustive details on all the techniques of government identity theft, see:**

Government Identity Theft, Form #05.046
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

***How collectivists promote and protect their
SCAM: 6. Refusal to acknowledge Constitutional or PRIVATE Rights***

- Every situation in statutes where an exemption is granted is connected with a Civil Status in statutes. Examples:
 - “Person”
 - “U.S. person”
 - “Individual”
 - ...etc.
- Obligations ALWAYS attach to the STATUTORY civil status.
- Those who are protected by the Constitution or are operating exclusively PRIVATE cannot have any such obligations. See:
 - Lawfully Avoiding Government Obligations, Form #12.040
<https://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
 - Proof of Claim: Your Main Defense Against Government Greed and Corruption, Form #09.073
<https://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
- If you are PRIVATE and want to remain so, the only way to do so is to insist:
 - That you have no statutory civil status.
 - You ONLY a constitutional or common law civil status.
 - You don’t need a statutory exemption, and are “not subject” but not statutorily “exempt”

How collectivists promote and protect their SCAM: 6. Refusal to acknowledge Constitutional or PRIVATE Rights

- **Example:**

- “U.S. persons” in [26 U.S.C. §7701\(a\)\(30\)](#) are “exempt” from withholding and reporting per [26 C.F.R. §1.1441-1\(d\)\(1\) \(Form #04.225\)](#) and [Treasury Decision 8734 \(SEDM Exhibit #09.038\)](#).
- **STATUTORY** “U.S. persons” also have the following “obligations”:
 - » Must report transfers of property to foreign corporations. [26 U.S.C. §6038B\(a\)](#)
 - » Must report foreign gifts exceeding \$10,000. [26 U.S.C. §6039F\(a\)](#).
 - » Are subject to withholding of 30% under [26 U.S.C. §1471\(a\)](#) if accounts held in Foreign Financial Institutions are not reported per [26 U.S.C. §1471\(b\)](#).

- **Since:**

- “obligations” attach to the civil status of “U.S. Person” under [26 U.S.C. §7701\(a\)\(30\)](#).
- A truly free and private person **CANNOT** have ANY INVOLUTNARY obligations and are a **SLAVE** in violation of the Thirteenth Amendment if they do.
- The above obligations are a taking of property under the Fifth Amendment unless you expressly consented to the taking.
- You are not **ALLOWED** by law to consent to give up or “alienate” a Constitutional or **PRIVATE** right to a true de jure government under the Declaration of Independence:

[Unalienable Rights Course, Form #12.038](#)
<https://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

How collectivists promote and protect their SCAM: 6. Refusal to acknowledge Constitutional or PRIVATE Rights

- **..THEN:**
 - You can't be a STATUTORY "U.S. person" [26 U.S.C. §7701\(a\)\(30\)](#) .
 - You are "exempt by fundamental law" and NOT statutes. See *Sovereignty and Freedom Points and Authorities*, Litigation Tool #10.018, Sections 8.4 and 8.10
<https://sedm.org/Litigation/10-PracticeGuides/PointsAuth.pdf>
 - Are not a statutory "[person](#)" or "[individual](#)" who can have such obligations or be penalized for not fulfilling them. See:
Policy Document: IRS Fraud and Deception About the Statutory Word "Person", Form #08.023
<https://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

Collectivism in the Courtroom

- There are TWO types of civil courts:
 1. COMMON LAW OR CONSTITUTIONAL COURT. Based on equality. Used for disputes between PRIVATE, EQUAL parties.
 2. FRANCHISE COURT. Based on inequality and franchises. Implemented using civil statutory law ONLY. The constitution does NOT apply in franchise court.
- Collectivism requires that all courts must be franchise courts.
- In the USA Constitution, the authority for implementing franchise courts is either Article I or Article IV.
- Examples of franchise courts:
 - Traffic court.
 - Family court.
 - Tax court. See 26 U.S.C. §7441.
- All “rights” vindicated in franchise courts are PUBLIC rights. PRIVATE rights and PRIVATE property are not allowed.
- Those who are not franchisees cannot lawfully enter into franchise courts. If they do, they are criminally impersonating a public officer in violation of 18 U.S.C. §912.

Collectivism in the Courtroom

- **Details on franchise courts:**
 - *What Happened to Justice?*, Form #06.012
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
 - *Government Instituted Slavery Using Franchises*, Form #05.030, Section 21
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

Resisting Collectivism

- **Resisting collectivism requires:**
 1. Insisting that there IS not government if there IS not PRIVATE property or PRIVATE rights. The [Declaration of Independence](#) defines what “government” is, and it says the ONLY purpose is to protect PRIVATE rights.
 2. Not [consenting](#) to anything the government does or offers, and thereby retaining your exclusively PRIVATE and [legislatively “foreign” status](#).
 3. Avoiding all [government franchises](#) and quitting all those we have previously joined. This ensures that all our property is PRIVATE.
 4. Approaching every interaction with the government as an opportunity to contract away or surrender PRIVATE rights or PRIVATE property.
 5. Avoiding any and all [civil statuses](#) to which [PUBLIC RIGHTS, privileges, or franchises](#) attach.

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6. Avoiding franchise courts and litigating only in COMMON LAW or CONSTITUTIONAL courts.
7. Invoking the common law and avoiding the civil statutory law in the courtroom. The civil statutory law is a protection franchise called the “social compact”.
8. Forcing the government to satisfy the burden of proof that you voluntarily donated any and all property they seek to take or enforce against in court. See Form #12.025.
9. Insisting that every attempt to enforce the civil statutory law is an act of unconstitutional taking of otherwise PRIVATE property.
10. Insisting on jury trial.
11. Ensuring that everyone on the jury and the judge do not have a conflict of financial interest because of their PUBLIC or FRANCHISE benefits.

Summary and Conclusions

- Collectivism is the enemy, not fascism, Nazism, communism, or [socialism](#).
- The methods by which collectivism is introduced into a culture are simple and easily understood.
- Resisting collectivism within our personal lives requires us to [study and learn the law personally](#) and to invoke it in our own defense.
- If you would like to learn more about law, the legal foundations of collectivism, and how to fight it in the courtroom ([Form #12.019](#)), we admonish you to download and read and follow the following free document:

Path to Freedom, Form #09.015

FORMS PAGE: <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

DIRECT LINK: <http://sedm.org/Forms/09-Procs/PathToFreedom.pdf>

Summary and Conclusions

- There is much to know in order to effectively combat illegal activity of all kinds by the government, including illegal enforcement of the tax code (franchise) by the IRS
- SEDM exists to provide educational materials that will help you get educated
- We won't fight the battle for you, but we provide tools to help you in your own fight to defend your rights as a "[nontaxpayer](#)" and a sovereign American National
- We can only educate and equip people who:
 - Consent to our [Member Agreement](#)
 - Are "[nontaxpayers](#)"
 - Are not STATUTORY "U.S. citizens", "[U.S. persons](#)", or "U.S. residents"
 - Have no STATUTORY "[income](#)" connected with a "[trade or business](#)" in the United States (government)
 - Live outside of the federal "[United States](#)"/[federal zone](#)
 - Have committed themselves to getting educated so the IRS can't exploit their ignorance to victimize them
 - Do not have any contracts, agency, or employment with state or federal governments
- Getting educated and being vigilant in defending your PRIVATE rights is the key to staying sovereign
- We want to help you get educated, be self governing, and separate yourself from [the government "matrix"](#). We as believers are the "church" and everyone else is the "state" and we seek separation of church and state. That separation is, in fact, the foundation of the [separation of powers doctrine](#).

Digging Deeper

- If you want to learn more detail about the subjects in this short course, please refer to the following resources:
 1. *Fatima: The Path to Peace Conference- The Financial Enslavement of the West*, G. Edward Griffin. Excellent video introduction to this subject.
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q-uCUjurKOW>
 2. *The Law*, Frederic Bastiat-details on the purpose of law.
<http://famguardian.org/Publications/TheLaw/TheLaw.htm>
 3. *Why Domicile and Becoming a "Taxpayer" Require Your Consent*, Form #05.002. How you volunteer to become INFERIOR to the state and among those governed and a "subject".
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
 4. *Government Franchises Course*, Form #12.012. Introduction to the main tool for implementing collectivism.
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
 5. *Government Instituted Slavery Using Franchises*, Form #05.030. Detailed analysis of the main tool for implementing collectivism.
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
 6. *Government Establishment of Religion*, Form #05.038. Detailed analysis of the legality of the establishment of religion by government.
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
 7. *Socialism: The New American Civil Religion*, Form #05.020. How franchises have converted America into a collectivist society.
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

Digging Deeper

8. **Why Statutory Civil Law is Law for Government and not Private Persons**, Form #05.037. Why the civil statutory law is a voluntary protection franchise.
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
9. **Government Identity Theft**, Form #05.046-how your legal identity is kidnapped to a legislatively foreign jurisdiction and connected to a civil franchise
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
10. **Legal Deception, Propaganda, and Fraud**, Form #05.014-how “words of art” are used to accomplish the legal kidnapping
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

Getting Connected: Resources

- **Ministries**
 - Family Guardian Website: <http://famguardian.org>
 - Sovereignty Education and Defense Ministry (SEDM): <http://sedm.org>
 - Foreign Tax Status Information Group (FTSIG): <https://ftsig.org>
 - Nike Research: <http://nikeinsights.famguardian.org/>
 - Sheldon Emry Memorial Library: <http://sheldonemrylibrary.famguardian.org/>
 - Constitution Research: <http://constitutionresearch.org>
 - Ben Williams Library: <http://www.benwilliamslibrary.com/>
 - John Weaver Library, Pastor John Weaver: <http://johnweaverlibrary.famguardian.org/>
- **Organizations:**
 - We the People Foundation for Constitutional Education:
<http://givemeliberty.org>
- **Legal Research Sources**
 - Legal Research Sources:
<http://famguardian.org/TaxFreedom/LegalRef/LegalResrchSrc.htm>
 - [Legal Research DVD](#)-very complete legal reference library on one DVD. Includes all titles of U.S.C, regulations, organic documents, etc.
 - Cornell University Legal Information Institute (LII): <https://www.law.cornell.edu>
 - Code of Federal Regulations (CFR): <https://www.law.cornell.edu/cfr/text>
 - FindLaw: <http://www.findlaw.com/>

Sovereignty Education and Defense Ministry (SEDM)

- Founded in 2003
- A non-profit Christian/religious ministry
- Mission statement found at:
<http://sedm.org/Ministry/AboutUs.htm>
- ***Articles of Mission***, Form #01.004 available at:
<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
- Managed by a board of ordained ministers
- Ministry offerings are completely consistent with materials found on the [Family Guardian Website](#)
- Educational course materials available only to “members”, who must be “nonresidents” and “nontaxpayers” not engaged in a “[trade or business](#)” and who believe in God
- All educational materials obtained online only
- Signed [Member Agreement, Form #01.001](#) required to join or obtain any ministry offerings
- Based out of (but NOT domiciled in) Canada and outside of jurisdiction of United States government
- Focus exclusively on human beings and not businesses
- See the [“About Us” page](#) for further details on the ministry
- See our Frequently Asked Questions page, which answers most questions to or about us:
 - <http://sedm.org/FAQs/FAQs.htm>

Sovereignty Education and Defense Ministry (SEDM)

- **We are NOT:**
 - Anti-government, but pro SELF-government
 - “Tax protesters”, “tax deniers”, or “tax defiers”, but rather a legal education and law enforcement ministry
- **WE DO NOT:**
 - Offer any kind of investment or “[tax shelter](#)” or engage in any kind of commerce within the jurisdiction of the “United States”
 - Provide legal advice or representation (but do provide “assistance of counsel”).
 - Allow our materials or services to be used for any unlawful or injurious purpose
 - Make legal determinations about your [civil status](#)
 - Market, advertise, or “promote” anything or pursue any commercial purpose. Our goals are exclusively moral, religious, and spiritual. Our motives are in no way financial or commercial.
 - Interact directly with the IRS on your behalf
 - Offer asset protection, trusts, or corporation soles
 - Make promises or assurances about the effectiveness of our materials or information.
 - “Represent” anyone using IRS 2848 Power of Attorney forms
 - Prepare or advise in the preparation of tax returns for others

Sovereignty Education and Defense Ministry (SEDM)

- **WE DO NOT:**

- Allow our materials or services to be used to interact with the government or legal profession on behalf of “[taxpayers](#)”, “[U.S. citizens](#)”, “[U.S. persons](#)”, “U.S. residents”, or any instrumentality of the federal government, including especially “[public officers](#)”
- Connect ourselves with a “[trade or business in the United States](#)” or any government franchise
- Engage in factual or actionable speech. All of our offerings constitute religious beliefs and opinions that are not admissible as evidence pursuant to [Fed.Rul.Ev. 610](#). Only you can make them admissible as evidence by signing them under penalty of perjury as part of an affidavit
- Advocate or endorse any of the flawed tax arguments identified by the courts in the following document:

Flawed Tax Arguments to Avoid, Form #08.004

<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

- **For rebutted false arguments against this ministry, see:**

Policy Document: Rebutted False Arguments Against This Website, Form #08.011

<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

SEDM Educational Curricula

- **Response Letters:** Automated responses to common state and IRS tax collection notices. Require Microsoft Word to edit and assemble
 - [Federal Response Letters, Form #07.301](#)
 - [State Tax Response Letters, Form #07.201](#)
- **Electronic books**
 - [Tax Fraud Prevention Manual, Form #06.008](#)-describes how to protect your status as a “[nontaxpayer](#)”
 - [Nontaxpayer’s Audit Defense Manual, Form #06.011](#)-how to deal with a tax audit
 - [Sovereign Christian Marriage, Form #06.009](#)-how to get married without a state marriage license
 - [Secrets of the Legal Industry, Litigation Tool #10.003](#)-critical details on how to litigate in court for neophytes. By Richard Cornforth
 - [IRS Document 6209](#)-how to decode your IRS tax records
 - [SSN Policy Manual, Form #06.013](#)-how to live without an SSN
 - [Defending Your Right to Travel, Form #06.010](#)-how to drive without state-issued license and without becoming a “resident” of the corporate state
 - [What Happened to Justice, Form #06.012](#)-shows the corruption of our federal court system and how to destroy any civil or criminal prosecution by the government

SEDM Educational Curricula (cont.)

- **CD-ROMS**

- [*Liberty Library CD, Form #11.102*](#)-collection of free materials off the Family Guardian Website for those who have slow dial-up internet connections
- [*Tax Deposition CD, Form #11.301*](#)-questions to ask the IRS at a deposition. Includes extensive evidence
- [*Highlights of American Legal and Political History CD, Form #11.202*](#)-exhaustive history of the systematic corruption of our government and legal systems from the founding of this country
- [*What Happened to Justice, Form #06.012*](#)-shows the corruption of our federal court system and how to destroy any civil or criminal prosecution by the government

SEDM Educational Curricula (cont.)

- **DVD-ROMS**
 - [Legal Research DVD, Form #11.201](#)-very complete legal reference library on one DVD. Includes all titles of U.S.C, regulations, organic documents, etc.
 - [Family Guardian Website DVD, Form #11.103](#)-entire Family Guardian Website on DVD-R media
 - [Sovereignty Research DVD, Form #11.101](#)-entire SEDM website contents excluding items available through SEDM Ministry Bookstore, plus IRS DVD from Family Guardian Website.
- **DVD movies:**
 - [How to Keep 100% of Your Earnings](#)-Marc Lucas
 - [Breaking the Invisible Shackles](#)-Sherry Peel Jackson
- **[Legal Pleadings](#)**
- **Individual Master File (IMF) Decoding and Rebuttal:**
 - [Master File Decoder Standard](#): Program that decodes your IRS electronic records
 - [Master File Decoder Professional](#): Program that decodes your IRS electronic records and includes complete electronic reference library of decoding publications
 - Full Service IMF Decoding for Single Individual
 - Full Service IMF Decoding for Married Couple
- **[Liberty University](#)-free curriculum to teach you about law and freedom**
 - Several Movies
 - [Federal and State Withholding Options for Private Employers, Form #09.001](#)-shows how to stop withholding legally
 - [What to Do When the IRS Comes Knocking, Form #09.002](#)-how to handle an IRS raid

...and MUCH, MUCH more

Questions?

